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1. The amendment filed on 29 November 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment filed 29 November 2007 for the purpose of correcting typographical errors and/or inconsistencies. Accordingly the amendment has been considered and entered.

In response to Applicant's comments with respect to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance on page 10, lines 3-10: "... The allowed independent claims may have more and/or less limitations than those enumerated in the Examiner's statement..." the Examiner respectfully submits that although the allowed independent claims may have more and/or less limitations than one another, each of the independent claims requires a source tracing code on a mail piece and a source tracing code on a mailing statement, wherein a mail creator, a mail producer, or an individual submitting the mail is identified directly by reading the source tracing code on the mail piece without accessing the mailing statement. Accordingly, the reasons for allowance as stated in the Notice of Allowance mailed 10/29/2007 is appropriate.

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 11/14/2007 was filed after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance on 10/29/2007. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

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